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## 20<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL FRONT PORCH FESTIVAL USHERS IN AUTUMN IN HISTORIC DOWNTOWN GLENDALE

**GLENDALE, Ariz.** – The 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Glendale's Front Porch Festival will offer a fun day of shopping and dining and hopefully, cooler weather. Come down to explore the Catlin Court Shopping District in Downtown Glendale on Saturday, Oct. 18, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. with a variety of activities, entertainment and special guests.

The historic district will delight visitors, with more than 80 shops that will welcome all on their lawns and front porches, with demonstrations, crafts and more. There will also be a contest among the merchants for the "Favorite Scarecrow" decoration. Guests will be encouraged to vote for their favorites, to be entered to win a basket full of treats and goodies. The business that receives the most votes will get a blue ribbon and of course, bragging rights.

Another highlight will be an ornament-making activity. At select locations, visitors can contribute \$1 to create an ornament that will be used to decorate the Community Tree during Glendale Glitters, beginning Nov. 28. All proceeds from the ornaments will be donated to the Treats for Troops program that will take place in November, as well.

Visitors are encouraged to start at the Glendale Visitor Center, at 5800 W. Glenn Dr. Suite 140, to pick up your list of activities and participating merchants. Admission and parking are free. For more information, contact the Glendale Convention & Visitors Bureau at 623-930-4500 or visit [www.visitglendale.com](http://www.visitglendale.com). You can also follow Glendale on [www.facebook.com/GlendaleCVB](https://www.facebook.com/GlendaleCVB) and [www.twitter.com/GlendaleCVB](https://www.twitter.com/GlendaleCVB) for updates.

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